

State of Alaska FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Corrections Nome Culturally Relevant CRC Component Budget Summary

Component: Nome Culturally Relevant CRC

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Component Mission

To provide a secure environment within a culturally relevant Community Residential Center (CRC) in Nome utilizing the least restrictive setting consistent with public safety for offenders making the transition from Correctional Centers back into society. The Community Residential Centers provide an appropriate form of confinement for low risk offenders while preserving the greatest number of secure beds for violent offenders.

Component Services Provided

This component funds the entire CRC in Nome including the culturally relevant overlay program specifically designed for Alaska Native offenders, that emphasizes community ties, traditional activities and cultural identity.

Focusing on Alaska Native culture may help Native offenders identify and adhere to the positive norms of traditional cultures, build self respect, strengthen community ties and thus enhance the probability of successful reintegration into the community/village upon release. Community Residential Centers (CRCs) services are traditionally offered through relatively open facilities located in neighborhoods. CRCs provide group residence and take the form of detention centers, halfway houses, work/education release centers, or pre-release centers for probationers, parolees, residents in incarcerated status (furloughees), sentenced and unsentenced misdemeanants. The degree of openness and level of supervision provided varies with the specific type of offender served.

Component Goals and Strategies

- The Department will work with the contractor to assure that the culturally relevant program collects data and develops outcome-based performance measures that address the following: program participation rates, legal involvement rates, successful return to community rates, rates on community referrals, and other measurements of program success.

Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003

- Continue to monitor contractors active networking with local Native Elders to support program development and transition into the villages outside Nome.
- Continue work with the provider on development of a statistical database for evaluating the efficacy of the culturally relevant program component at this CRC.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2001

- The program has developed strong community ties with such local agencies such as the Norton Sound Village Based Counselors to discuss the use of the "Traditional Healing Circle" as a means of therapy concerning substance abuse and AA classes on a regular bases.
- The Kawerak Education Department has provided basic adult education classes and also has a Vocational Technical School that residents are encouraged to apply for once released as a way to assist residents with a positive transition following incarceration.
- The program has successfully provided services to 260 residents.
- Residents have participated in educational classes provided by the Indian Child Welfare Act Specialist from Kawerak to address their rights and the rights of their children under the act.
- The Nome Community Partnership presented a Challenge Workshop to teach residents how to work together as a team and the value of being a team member.
- The Bearing Sea Woman's Group provides an educational class on the effects of Domestic Violence.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

- 1) Probation, Prisons and Prisoners (AS 33)
- 2) Welfare, Social Services and Institutions (AS 47)
- 3) Health and Safety (AS 18)
- 4) Criminal Law (AS 11)
- 5) Public Finance (AS 37)
- 6) State Government (AS 44)
- 7) Create Corrections (EX.OR.55)
- 8) Corrections (22 AAC)
- 9) Public Contracts (AS 36)

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Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	1,009.4	1,016.5	1,016.5
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,009.4	1,016.5	1,016.5
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	271.7	276.3	0.0
1003 General Fund Match	1.5	1.5	1.5
1004 General Fund Receipts	711.2	713.7	990.0
1156 Receipt Supported Services	25.0	25.0	25.0
Funding Totals	1,009.4	1,016.5	1,016.5

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2002 Cash Estimate	FY2003 Governor	FY2004 Forecast
Unrestricted Revenues						
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues						
Federal Receipts	51010	271.7	276.3	276.3	0.0	0.0
Receipt Supported Services	51073	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Restricted Total		296.7	301.3	301.3	25.0	25.0
Total Estimated Revenues		296.7	301.3	301.3	25.0	25.0

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Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003

No service changes.

Summary of Component Budget Changes

From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2002 Authorized	715.2	276.3	25.0	1,016.5
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Decrement Violent Offender Incarceration Federal Grant Funds	0.0	-276.3	0.0	-276.3
Proposed budget increases:				
-Replace Violent Offender Incarceration Federal Grant Funds with General Fund	276.3	0.0	0.0	276.3
FY2003 Governor	991.5	0.0	25.0	1,016.5